

Amendments To The Specification:

In the English translation document, please delete the term --Description--at page 1 line 1, before the title.

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 1 line 4, after the title, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to the European application No. 02025194.8 EP, filed November 11, 2002 under the European Patent Convention and which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety. --

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 4, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section, as follows:

--FIELD OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 7, as follows:

--BACKGROUND OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 2 line 16, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 5 line 32, as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 6 line 9, as follows:

**--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION--
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